

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.: 10/556,668

Confirmation No. 8558

Applicant: Bator et al.

Filing Date: June 2, 2004

Docket No.: 19350-103323

Title: BUMPER ENERGY ABSORBER AND METHOD OF  
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## REQUEST TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT

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Dear Sir:

As instructed by Donna S. Greene at the United States Patent and Trademark Office, Applicant is providing this paper to withdraw the holding of abandonment for the above-captioned application.

Applicant received a Notification of Abandonment (Exhibit A) on February 6, 2008. The Notification of Abandonment states that Applicant failed to respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements mailed on September 20, 2006 (Exhibit B) within the time period set therein. Applicant did, however, respond to the Notification of Missing Requirements on November 13, 2006, which is within the two month time period set forth in the Notification and is, therefore, a timely response thereto. Attached to this letter is a true copy of Applicant's timely response to the Notification of Missing Requirements and proof by way of a date-stamped post-card returned by the United States Patent and Trademark Office that the response was timely (Exhibit C).

Therefore, in view of the true copy of the response and proof that the response was timely, Applicant respectfully requests that the holding of abandonment be withdrawn.

Respectfully submitted,



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Attachments: Exhibits A-C

## EXHIBIT A



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## NOTIFICATION OF ABANDONMENT

The United States Patent and Trademark Office in its capacity as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495) has made the following determination:

- Applicant has failed to respond to the notification of MISSING REQUIREMENTS (Form PCT/DO/EO/005), mailed 09/20/2006 within the time period set therein.

Therefore, the above identified application failed to meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. 371 and 37 CFR 1.495, and is ABANDONED AS TO THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

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## EXHIBIT B

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## 371 FORMALITIES LETTER

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Copy of the International Application filed on 11/14/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 11/14/2005
- Copy of IPE Report filed on 11/14/2005
- Copy of Annexes to the IPER filed on 11/14/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 11/14/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 11/14/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 11/14/2005
- Specification filed on 11/14/2005
- Claims filed on 11/14/2005
- Abstracts filed on 11/14/2005
- Drawings filed on 11/14/2005

The applicant needs to satisfy supplemental fees problems indicated below.

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the Inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.
- To avoid abandonment, a surcharge (for late submission of filing fee, search fee, examination fee or oath or declaration) as set forth in 37 CFR 1.492(h) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

**SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:**

Total additional fees required for this application is \$130 for a Large Entity:

- \$130 Surcharge.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice MUST be returned with the response.*

PATRICIA A. BOOKER

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**PART 1 - ATTORNEY/APPLICANT COPY**

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FORM PCT/DO/EO/905 (371 Formalities Notice)

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Please date stamp and return this postcard acknowledging receipt of the following: Transmittal; Notice of Missing Requirements; Signed declaration/power of attorney; return postcard.



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Filing Date:

Attorney: Jay S. Paranjpe

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Applicant: Bator et al.

Title: Bumper Energy Absorber and Method of Fabricating and Assembling the Same

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EXHIBIT C

**TRANSMITTAL LETTER**  
**(General - Patent Pending)**

Docket No.  
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In Re Application Of: **Bator et al.**

Application No.	Filing Date	Examiner	Customer No.	Group Art Unit	Confirmation No.
<b>10/556,668</b>	<b>11/14/2005</b>	<b>N/A</b>	<b>28886</b>		<b>8558</b>

Title:

**BUMPER ENERGY ABSORBER AND METHOD OF FABRICATING AND ASSEMBLING THE SAME**

**COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:**

Transmitted herewith is:

**Notice of Missing Requirements**  
**Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney**  
**Return Postcard**

In the above identified application.

No additional fee is required.

A check in the amount of \_\_\_\_\_ is attached.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. **50-1759** as described below.

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Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.

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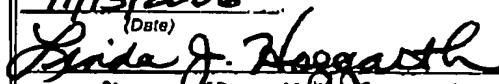


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Dated: **11/13/06**

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I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to the "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" (37 CFR 1.8(a)) on <b>11/13/2006</b> (Date)	
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## Declaration and Power of Attorney For Patent Application

### English Language Declaration

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

**Bumper Energy Absorber and Method of Fabricating and Assembling the Same**

the specification of which

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is attached hereto.

was filed on June 2, 2004 as United States Application No. or PCT International Application Number CA 04/000823

and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_  
(if applicable)

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56, including for continuation-in-part applications, material information which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of the continuation-in-part application.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under 35 U.S.C. 119(a)-(d) or (f), or 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent, or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States of America, listed below and have also identified below, by checking the box, any foreign application for patent, inventor's or plant breeder's rights certificate(s), or any PCT international application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed.

#### Prior Foreign Application(s)

#### Priority Claimed

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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. Section 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below:

60/475,275	June 3, 2003
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I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U. S. C. Section 120 of any United States application(s), or Section 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the United States Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, C. F. R., Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT International filing date of this application:

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

**POWER OF ATTORNEY:** As a named Inventor, I hereby appoint the following attorney(s) and/or agent(s) to prosecute this application and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. (list name and registration number)

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